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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA  
MONROE DIVISION

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WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

VERSUS

MELVIN JOHNSON

CRIMINAL CASE NO. 3:98CR30024-02  
JUDGE JAMES  
MAG. JUDGE HAYES

CERTIFICATE OF APPEALABILITY

A final order having been filed in the above-captioned habeas case, the court, considering the record in this case and the requirements of 28 U.S.C. § 2253, hereby finds that:

The certificate of appealability is DENIED because the applicant has failed to demonstrate a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right.

The certificate of appealability is GRANTED for the below reasons:

The applicant has made a substantial showing that the following issues constitute a denial of a constitutional right:

Signed at Monroe, Louisiana, this 8 day of May, 2006.

  
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ROBERT G. JAMES  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE